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For: AUTOMATED MICROSCOPIC IMAGE ACQUISITION, COMPOSITING, AND  
DISPLAY

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 21 pages of specification, 7 pages of claims, an abstract and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned).
- ☒ 17 sheet(s) of drawings.
- ☒ Request for Non-publication and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).

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